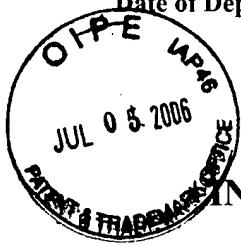


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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO THE JANUARY 6, 2006 NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This Amendment is submitted under 37 C.F.R. §1.111 in reply to the January 6, 2006 non-final Office Action received in the above-identified patent application. With a three-month petition for extension of time and corresponding fee, this response is due on or before July 6, 2006.

Entry and consideration of this responsive Amendment are respectfully requested at the time of examination of the subject application.

Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.

A Conclusion is found on page 15 of this paper.